

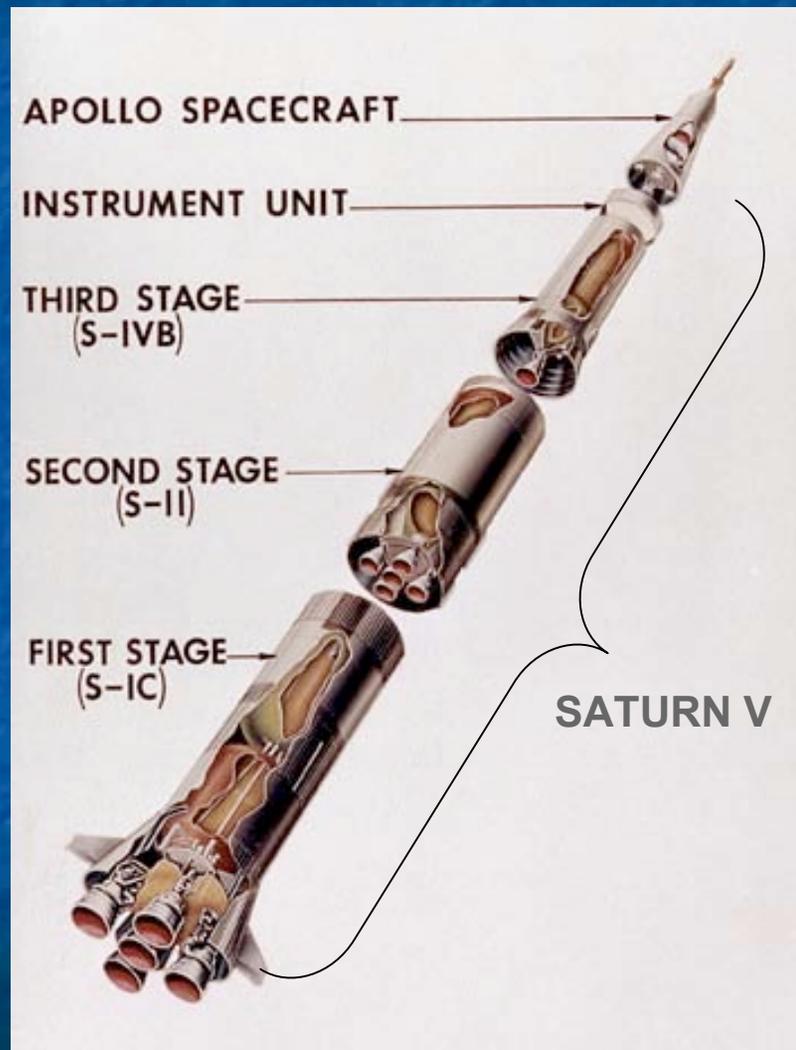
Human Space Flight

Legacy of the First Rocket to the Moon

Carolyn Griner

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The Saturn V Vehicle



The Challenge:

- Minimum to Lunar Transfer - 90,000 lbs (Final Capability 107, 000 lbs)
- Support a Lunar Landing by Man in < 8 years

The Answer:

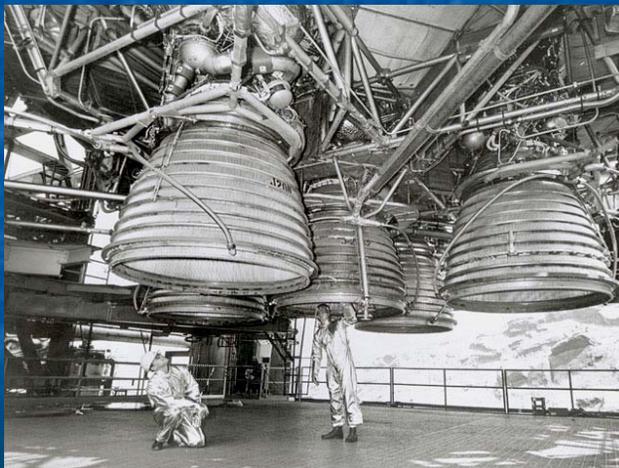
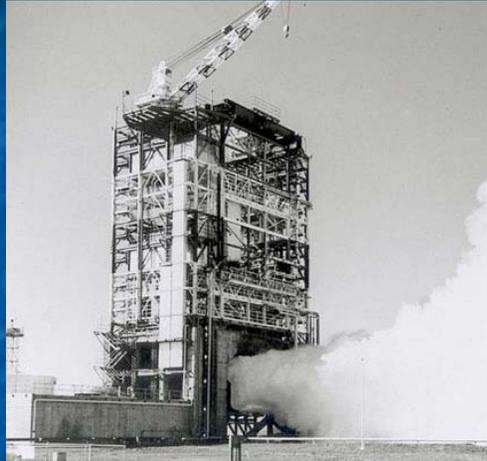
- Build the Team and capabilities that can make it happen.

The Approach

- **Build on Existing Experience**
- **Use Available Technologies**
- **Establish Clear Organizational Responsibilities**
- **Engage a Capable Team**
- **Apply Highest Priority**
- **Demonstrate Hardware Capabilities to Avoid Risk**



Facilities and Tests



Saturn S-IC Stage



- **MSFC In-house/Boeing Development**
- **5 Rocketdyne F-1 LO2/RP-1 Engines**
- **7.6 M lbs Total Thrust**
- **33 ft Diameter, 138 ft long**
- **Initial Stages Built at MSFC, others at Michoud Assembly Facility**

- **F-1 Engine Testing at Edwards AFB and at MSFC**
- **Stage Development and Initial Static Firing Tests at MSFC**
- **Production Acceptance Tests at Mississippi Test Facility**

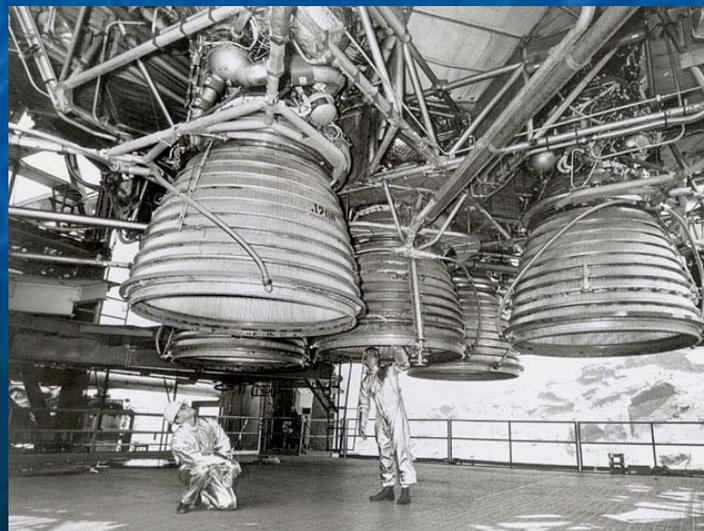


Saturn S-II Stage



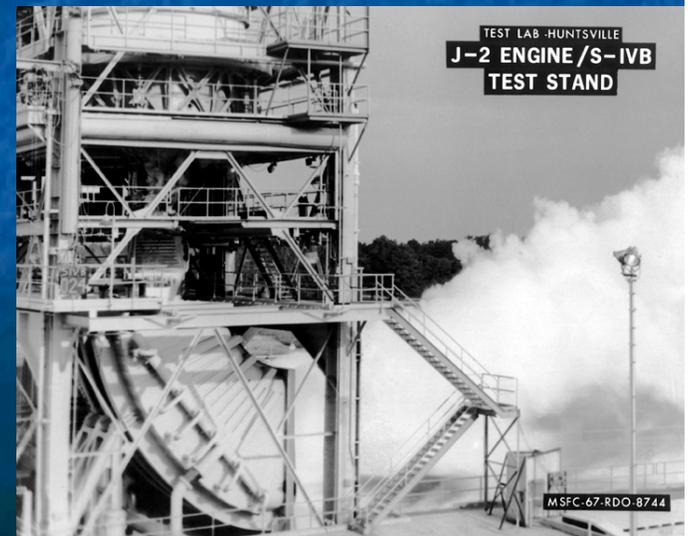
- North American Aviation Development
- 5 Rocketdyne J-2 LO₂/LH₂ Engines Providing 1.15 M lbs Thrust
- 33 ft Diameter, 81 ft long
- Featured a Common Bulkhead
- Stages Fabricated and Assembled in California

- Development tests at Santa Suzanna Test Facility
- All Systems and Acceptance Tests at Mississippi Test Facility



Saturn S-IVB Stage

- **Douglas Aircraft Development, Based on the Saturn I S-IV Stage**
- **One Re-startable Rocketdyne J-2 LO2/LH2 Engine, Providing 230 K lbs Thrust**
- **22 ft Diameter, 59 ft long**
- **Used a Common Bulkhead and Internal Insulation**
- **Stages Fabricated, Assembled and Tested in California**
- **Extensive Engine and Stage Testing also at MSFC**



Objectives Accomplished



Apollo Saturn 501

SA - 501 (1967 - 6 years after go-ahead)

Unmanned Launch Vehicle
Development (Fully successful)

SA - 502 (early 1968)

Unmanned Launch Vehicle
Development (3 significant
anomalies)

SA - 503 (late 1968)

First Lunar Trajectory Insertion
with Full Crew (Fully successful)

SA - 506 (July 1969 - 8 Years After Go-
ahead)

Lunar Trajectory Insertion
First Humans on Moon

Perspective from the End Effectors

- Leadership and Management
- Communications
- Responsibility and Accountability
- Technical Excellence and Attention to Details
- Problems and Innovation

Building on the Foundation

